'Lil Abner' slated for weekend productions

The Broadway musical, Lil Abner will be presented at Appomattox County High School on March 23 and 24 at 8 p.m.

The memorable comic strip characters of Abner, Daisy Mae, and Mammy Yokum will come to life on stage as the audience is transported to the tiny village of Dogpatch. The story surrounds the efforts of the hillbillies to keep their town from becoming a testing ground for nuclear weapons. Complications ensue as the villianous General Bullmoose learns the effects of Mammy Yokum's "Yokumberry Tonic." The outsiders go so far as to infiltrate the traditional Sadie Hawkins Day Race. The audience will be cheering them on as the unsophistocated Dogpatchers take on the society people of Washington.

Li'l Abner is being sponsored by the class of 1984 and features many out-standing seniors as well as some very talented underclassmen. The roles of Abner and Daisy Mae are being played by Jay Wingfield and Tambra Hamlett. This is the first acting experience for these performers, but both have been seen in recent Chorale productions. Malcolm Miller as Marrying Sam is also making his A.C.H.S. acting debut, although he has been seen in Depot Dramatics as well as Chorale performances. Veteran Maria King has been cast as Manny Yokum, while newcomer Lewis Napier adeptly plays the loveable, but hen-pecked Pappy. The audience will be pleasantly surprised by the acting talent of football star Scott Almond as he portrays Earthquake McGoon. Mike McCoy, another seasoned performer, will bring to life the detestable characters of General Bullmoose. Supporting roles will be played by Cecil Jacobs (Jack S. Phogbound), Eve Thomas (Moonbeam McSwine), Todd Thompson (Dr. Finsdale), Margaretta Flood (Appassionata), and Lisa Pannell (Evil Eye Fleagle).

Songs from Li'l Abner vary from the romantic "Love in a Home" to the knee-slapping, toe-tapping "Jubilation T. Cornpone." Male audience members may agree with "If I Had My Druthers", while others might relate to "I'm Past My Prine." The jazzy 'Progress of the Root of All Evil" and the humor of "The Matrimonial Stomp" add variety to the show.

The cast and crew of Li'l Abner have been in rehearsal for six-weeks learning lines, songs and dances. Their hard work promises to pay off in a delightful evening of entertainment. The show is being directed by Joyce Sweet with Renee Williams serving as musical director and Bonnie Hayes acting as choreographer.

Curtain time is 8:00 Friday and Saturday evenings. The public is invited to enjoy a charming performance while supporting local young people. Admission will be $2.00 for students and $3.00 for adults.

Variety show scheduled

The Appomattox County High School Chorale will sponsor a variety music show March 31 at 7 p.m. at the Appomattox County High School Auditorium.

The Chorale, under the direction of Steve Lawrence, has performed locally this year, as well as at the Washington Catheral earlier this month and in regional school events. The group's next trip will be to New York and Boston, where they will again be featured in performance.

In addition to their performance in the show March 31, there will be featured the following country, bluegrass, gospel and classical performers: Westbound, Rocky Run Express, Fellowship Four, and David Cordazzi. Tickets are available at the door: Adult - $2.00, Students - $1.50.

Cheryl Simpson named

Cheryl Simpson of Appomattox Middle School was named reporter for the junior division all-area parliamentary procedure team in the 50th annual Southside Area FFA Parliamentary Procedure contest at Bluestone Middle School March 15.

Parliamentary Procedure is a Future Farmers of American leadership training activitiy. The contest includes opening and closing meetings, presenting reports, and solving parliamentary problems extemporaneously.

The Tunstall Senior and Central Middle teams will represent the 17-county Southside Area in the state finals at Nelson Senior High School March 24.

Computer classes slated

Classes using microcomputers will begin Tuesday, March 27 in Room 301 at Appomattox County High School. COurses to be offered are as follows:

Word Processing - A course designed to develop skills and concepts in a modern office using computers. Editing, better styles, manuscripts, envelopes, memos and tabulation will receive attention using machine language. Length of course: 30 hours or 5 weeks. Time: Tuesday and Thursday, 5:00 - 7:00 p.m. Cost: $25.00 including materials.

Computer Literacy - A course developed to cover the proper care of a microcomputer and diskettes. Fundamentals of BASIC programming will be introduced. Length of course: 20 hours or 5 weeks. Time: Tuesday and Thursday, 7:15 - 9:15 p.m. Cost: $25.00 including materials.

Persons desiring to enroll in either of these classes are requested to contact the School Board Office at 352-8253 between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. The maximum number to be enrolled in each of the classes will be sixteen. Spaces will be assigned on a first come, first served basis. If more persons than the allotted spaces enroll, the persons registering will be designated as alternates and will be notified if a vacancy occurs.

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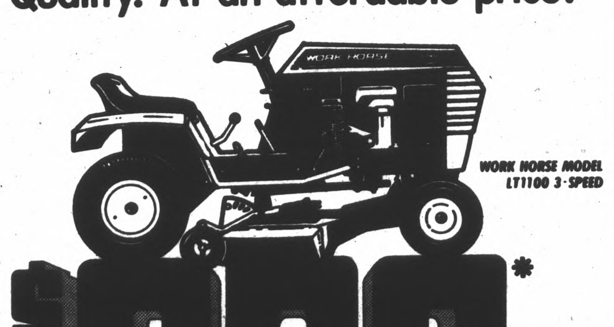

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SCHOOLS

JANET SMITH (right) receives a check for her best-in-show project in the recent ACHS science fair from Nancy Jones, biology teacher at the high school. (Photo by Bill Sherrod)

Smith receives 'best in show' award at ACHS science fair

Janet Smith, a sophomore at Appomattox County High School, received the award for "Best in Show" at the ACHS annual science fair held March 9 and 10.

Her project, which placed first in the fair's Environmental Sciences category, examined the effects of sunlight on nature. She received $5 for placing first in her category, and $25 for best-in-show honors.

All students at the high school who take lab science were required to write a paper or construct a project for the fair. More than 300 students participated.

Categorical winners in the science fair included:

Behaviorial Sciences - 1) Billy Carter, 2) Stephanie Martin;

Botany - 1) Leon Watkins, 2) Mark Mayberry;

Environmental Sciences - 1) Janet Smith, 2) David O'Brien, 3) Troy Totty;

Biochemistry - Gary Covington and Donna Davis, honorable mention.

Medicine and health - 1) John Jamerson, 2) Russell Walton, 3) Teresa Austin)

Microbiology - 1) James Cash;

Zoology - 2) Jimmy Fillingame, 3) Anne Hancock;

Chemistry - 1) Gayle Pugh, 2) Larry Mann;

Earth and Space Science - 1) Jessica Stanley, 2) Robbie Phelps, honorable mention, Janice Foster, Jay Chenault, Vivian Seay;

Engineering - honorable mention, Chris Winters, Danny Notestein, Darryl Conner, Roger Guill.

The judges were instructed to award first, second or third place ribbons, or assign honorable mention to projects meriting recognition.

Winners will compete in the regional science fair to be held March 31 at Sweet Briar College.

Local 4-H Club News Notes

Mrs. Mills 4-H

Mrs. Mills' class met on March 7, 1984. LaShonda called the meeting to order. Glenda said the pledge to the American Flag and Mike said the 4-H pledge.

The recreation leaders played Mr. Jones and four-corners. Then the secretary read the last minutes. Then LaShonda turned it over to Glenda who told us about this month. Then LaShonda adjourned the meeting.

Belinda Franklin
Reporter

Miss Krufka's 4-H club met on Thursday, February 9, 1984. Kristen McDonald led us in the Pledge of Allegiance and David Ferguson led us in the 4-H Pledge. For our recreational activity, we played "Silent Ball".

Lori Ranson read the minutes from the last meeting. On March 24, 1984, the 4-H presentations will be held.

Billy Proffit
Reporter

Mrs. Shelton's 4-H Club met on Friday, March 12, 1984. The president called the meeting to order and we said the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag and the 4-H Pledge.

The Recreation Leaders led us in the game King and Queen. Mrs. Sweet told us about 4-H Presentations to be held on March 24, 1984. He told us about the bluebird houses 4-H'ers could order, and about strawberry plants.

The meeting was then adjourned.

Stacy Pennix

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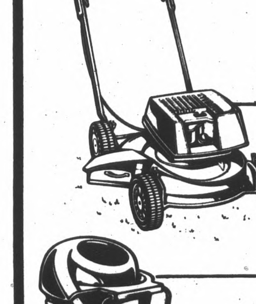

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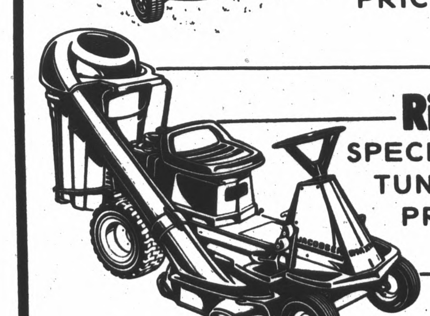

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Happiness is 4-H

By FRANK SWEET
Extension Agent

The County 4-H Presentation program will be held this coming Saturday, March 24, at 9:30 a.m. at Appomattox Elementary School. 4-H'ers from age 9-11 (Junior age group) and 12-13 (Intermediate age group) will be taking part in the program. Older 4-H'ers and many adult volunteers will be serving as judges. The program will be over by 11:30 a.m. Presentations provide an opportunity for young people to show and explain how something is made or done. 4-H'ers learn organization, self-confidence and the ability to teach others.

Winners from the County 4-H Presentations on March 24 will have the opportunity to represent Appomattox in an Area 4-H program on March 31 at Rustburg Middle School. The Area Contest will include 4-H members from Halifax, Bedford, Campbell, Amherst, and Lynchburg as well as Appomattox. In addition to presentations, the Area 4-H Contest will include Share-the-Fun, Public Speaking and Fashion Revue.

Twenty 4-H'ers have submitted applications for the 4-H Interstate Exchange program. Delegates will be selected by April 1. Members submitting applications include: Teresa Burger, James Cash, Tiffany Royal, Lucy Christian, Ernest Humbles, Beth Marston, Brett Marston, Jeff Williams, Bob Poole, Karen Trent, Kathy Bryan, Sheri Williams, Curtis Moore, Howard Anderson, Craig Ranson, Lisa Coleman, Rhonda Ranson, Robert Coleman, Rick Pack, and Robert Taylor. Applications may still be submitted for consideration. Approximately 15-20 4-H'ers will be selected to participate in the exchange trip to Texas during late July. Nineteen Texas 4-H'ers and four chaperones visited in Appomattox last summer.

Several fund raising events are being conducted for the Interstate Exchange 4-H'ers including a dance at ACHS last Friday; three country cured hams will be given away in a drawing on April 19 and a community yard sale to be held on Saturday, April 28.

Five Appomattox 4-H and FFA members will be showing market lambs in the Central Virginia Livestock Show on May 5 in Lynchburg. The lambs were purchased early February when they weighed 50-60 pounds. The lambs are being fed so that they will weigh around 100 pounds by early May. Yound people participating in this project are; Lisa Coleman, Tracy Garrett, Ernest Humbles, Paul Humbles and Bob Poole.

Coming Events

SUNDAY, MARCH 25

The Cannaan Baptist Church Young Adult Choir will celebrate its 11th anniversary at 3 p.m. Everyone is invited to join the celebration.

MARCH 25

High Attendance Day will be held at New Hope Baptist Church. A goal of 300 has been set for Sunday School attendance at 10:00 a.m. Worship will follow at 11:00. The Rev. Bob Williams is pastor.

MONDAY, APRIL 2

The Appomattox Woman's Club will meet at 7:30 p.m. at the Triangle Plaza Branch of Farmers National Bank. The conservation department is in charge of the program.

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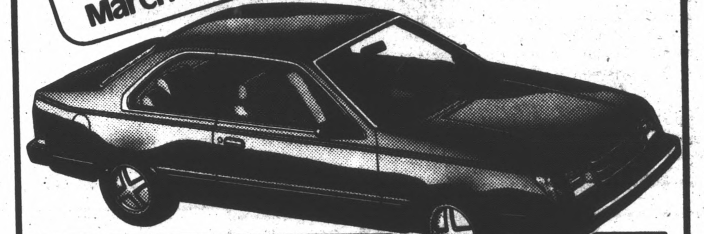

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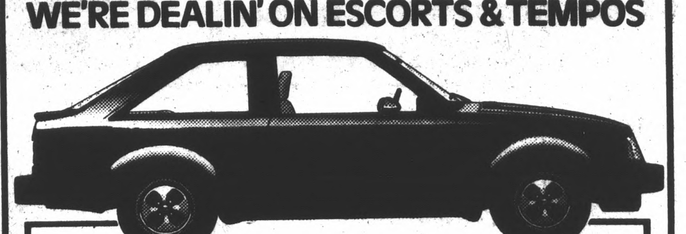

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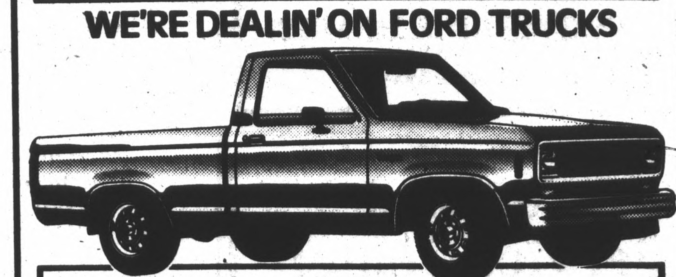

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Miss Rice to marry Mr. Hunter

Mr. and Mrs. Millard Berger Rice, Jr. of Phenix, announce the engagement of their daughter, Claire Jane to Frank Elliott Hunter, the son of Mr. John Hunter, Sr. and the late Frances Snell Hunter of Red House, Va.

Miss Rice is a graduate of Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University. She is presently employed by Central Fidelity Bank of Lynchburg.

Mr. Hunter attended Central Virginia Community College and is operator of the Red House Woodyard in Red House.

A June wedding is planned.

Miss Claire Jane Rice

Bride-elect

Miss Mitchell honored

Miss Kathryn Mitchell, bride-elect, was honored with a floating miscellaneous shower March 11. Hostesses for the occasion were Mrs. Rhonda Banton, sister of the bride-elect and Mrs. Etta O'Brien, aunt of the bride-elect.

A color scheme of pink and white was used. Among those attending were Mrs. Maymond Mitchell, mother of the bride-elect; Mrs. Edward Guill, mother of the groom-elect; Mrs. Grace Cunningham and Mrs. Curtis Mitchell, grandmothers of the bride and friends and relatives of the couple.

The marriage of Miss Mitchell to Mr. Dennis Guill will take place on April 22 at 2 p.m. in Liberty Baptist Church.

Although no invitations are being sent, friends and relatives are invited to attend.

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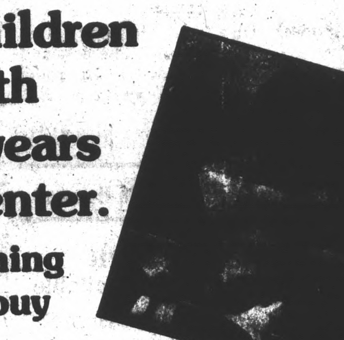

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SOCIAL

Women's Clubs to meet at LBC campus on March 24

By CHERYL O'DANIEL

The Annual Spring Meeting of the Alice Kyle District of the Virginia Federation of Women's clubs will be held on the Liberty Baptist College Campus March 24.

Hostesses for the meeting are The Lynchburg Women's Club and the Lynchburg Junior Woman's Club.

The Arts & Crafts Contest is held for the Women's Clubs in the District and the installation of officers for the 1984-86 Administration will take place. Mrs. Leslie W. Hamlett, Jr., a former State President of the VFWC, is installing the Officers.

The Officers for the 1984-86 Administration are: Mrs. Lewis C. Moorman, Lynchburg, president; Mrs. Wiley W. Wariner, Jr., Concord, first vice president; Mrs. T.N. Carrington, Burkeville, second vice president; Ms. Carol Tyree, Madison Heights, third vice president and junior director; Mrs. William Chenault, Appomattox, secretary; Miss Ethelyn Shepard, Cumberland, treasurer.

Junior Officers include: Mrs. Frank Fanshaw, Crewe, assistant junior director; Mrs. Doug Webb, Appomattox, junior secretary; Mrs. Louis Graham, Lynchburg, junior treasurer.

UDC members gather

The Appomattox Chapter of the United Daughters of the Confederacy met in the home of Mrs. Lucille Ferrell Thursday, March 15 at 11 a.m. for their regular monthly meeting.

Mrs. Harriett Cunningham, vice president of the chapter presided at the meeting.

Pledge of Allegiance to the United States Flag was led by Mrs. Lucille Ferrell.

Salutes to the Virginia Flag and to the Confederatte Flag were led by Mrs. Laura Jones.

Mrs. Cunningham read the ritual and the Confederate Prayer.

Mrs. Cunningham announced the following meeting:

On April 9 at 11 a.m., members will meet at Appomattox Surrender Grounds in the Confederate Cemetery to place a wreath in memory of our war dead. The public is also invited.

On Saturday, April 28 the United Daughters of the Confederacy Third District Conference will meet at Chatham, Virginia. Reservations are to be made by April 12.

Mrs. Lucille Ferrell, Chapter historian presented an interesting program on "Semmes and Alabama".

The meeting concluded when Mrs. Cunningham led the group in singing a southern song, "Dixie".

On April 19 at 11 a.m. members will meet in the home of Mrs. Harriett Cunningham for their next meeting.

Dawsons announce birth

Mr. and Mrs. Ronnie Dawson of Appomattox are pleased to announce the birth of an eight pound, three ounce daughter, Brooke Meadows, on March 10 in the Virginia Baptist Hospital.

Brooke has two sisters, Angela and Jamee and a brother, Jake.

Maternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Ranson of Appomattox.

Paternal grandparents are the late Mr. and Mrs. Charlie H. Dawson of Rustburg.

Locals visit friends in D.C.

John and Colena Moore, Jimmy and Sandra McCormick, their children Jamie and Jeremy McCormick and friend Bill Totten spent St. Patrick's Day weekend with their very dear friends, Micheal and Gary Brooks, in Vienna, Va., near Washington, D.C.

They visited many sites, and were given a very enjoyable tour of Washington, D.C. by the Brookses.

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THE HOLLANDERS, A MUSICAL GROUP COMPOSED OF SIX BROTHERS AND SISTERS, WILL BE APPEARING AT THE Appomattox County High School Auditorium on Saturday, April 7 at 7:30. Sponsored by the Young Farmers, proceeds from the concert will go to Linda Booth. Advance tickets are $5.00 and at the door $6.00; tickets may be obtained in advance from any local bank or any Young Farmer member.

FAC planning to produce 'Elijah'

The Lynchburg Fine Arts Center Chorus, under the direction of George Clark, will perform Felix Mendelssohn's **Elijah** on Sunday afternoon, April 1 at 3 p.m. at Court Street United Methodist Church.

A very popular oratorio, **Elijah** is performed more often than any other large choral work except **Messiah**. It deals with the prophet **Elijah's** confrontation with followers of the god Baal.

Elijah contains some of Mendelssohn's most beautiful writing. Arias that are a part of many soloists' repertory include "If With All Your Hearts," "O Rest in the Lord," "Then Shall the Righteous Shine Forth," "It Is Enough," and "Hear Ye, Israel." Some of the choruses that are beloved are "He Watching Over Isreal," "Cast Thy Burden Upon the Lord," and "Blessed Are the Men Who Fear Him."

Tickets for Fine Arts Center members and the general public are $4.50 for adults and $3.00 for students. The box office will open on Wednesday before the performance.

Wades announce new addition

Mr. and Mrs. Earnest Wade, Jr. of Evergreen proudly announce the birth of a daughter, Stacy Nicole, born on March 16 at the Virginia Baptist Hospital.

Maternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Earnest Wade, Sr. of Evergreen.

FAC concert set

The Lynchburg Fine Arts Center Junior Chorale will present its winter concert on Sunday afternoon, March 25 at 3 p.m. in the center's lounge. the Chorale, which comprises children in third through fifth grades, is directed by Helen Ford Graves.

Invluded on the program will be patriotic songs, songs about spring, and songs about music and singing. Several of the songs that will be performed by the Chorale are partner songs (songs written for two individual parts that are sung simultaneously).

Tickets ($2.00 for adults and $1.00 for students) will be available just prior to the performance.

Promise Land news notes

We extend an invitation to you to worship with us this Sunday at 10 a.m. for Sunday School and 11 a.m. for regular preaching service at Promise Land Baptist Church.

On Sunday, April 1, at 4 p.m. the White Oak Grove Gospel Choir will render music, and the Rev. Hamlett will bring the message.

On Sunday, April 8, at 1 p.m. the Spirtual Voices from St. Paul's College will render music in concert.

Let us remember the sick and shut-in. Monare Kelso is in Lynchburg General Hospital and improving.

Cunningham visits

LCpl. Joseph D. Cunningham, the son of Bertie A. Cunningham, Appomattox, and Lawrence E. Cunningham, Gladstone, has been home on leave.

Following a short visit, he will leave to continue his tour of duty in Japan where he will be stationed until March 1985.

Birth announced

Mr. and Mrs. William T. Page are proud to announce the birth of their daughter, Billie Jean, born March 11, 1984 at 6:26 a.m. She weighed four pounds, 11 ounces at birth.

Billie's grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Peyton G. Cumby and Mr. and Mrs. Ruby Paylette.

Billie's great-grandparents are Mrs. Louise Hall and Mr. Perry M. Cumby.

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